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To the FCC; This is a note to urge you to reject Petition 04-160 regarding the National Association of Broadcasters request to restrict the use of local weather and traffic on XM satellite radio.

I am an over-the-road truck driver and drive all 48 states. I have been a subscriber to xm radio for 7 months and enjoy the benefits of my paid subscription such as the ability to listen to what I enjoy virtually anywhere I am.

Since xm started providing local traffic and weather for about 20 large metro areas, I am kept up to the minute on conditions in our most populated and congested cities as I travel through them. Local stations sometimes are very hard to comprehend as they use strictly local highway names. For example, Chicago area stations too frequently use Stevens, Bishop Ford, Edens, Kennedy, etc., to describe their routes rather than the Interstate route number which can be very confusing and frustrating when traveling. Am I on the Bishop Ford? I know I'm on I-94, but what is the local name...without having to look at a map.

I pay for the services that xm radio provide and believe that it is just another example of why this country is so great...Free Enterprise. I use xm because I know where to find things that I want to listen to rather than skipping all over a dial every 20 miles or so trying to find a station I am satisfied with. With the XM Radio, I know exactly where to find the information I need to transit more smoothly through our larger cities and metro areas. Convenience, safety, information, and I pay for it because that's what I want! I choose to listen to XM!!

Thank-you for your consideration and your rejection of Petition 04-160.

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